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Applicant: Kouichi ANDO

Title: SCANNER UNIT HAVING FIRST AND SECOND  
INHIBITING ELEMENTS FOR INHIBITING MOVEMENT OF  
A FRAME (As Amended)

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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated March 31, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: